MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Tuesday, February 15, 2005 3:02 p.m. Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Nitz, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos,

Mayes, Spade, Law, Sheltrown. (10/11)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Hune. (1/11)

Introductions of Committee members and staff followed.

The Chair asked the Committee Clerk to read the appointment letter from Speaker DeRoche announcing the Committee members for the 2005-2006 legislative session.

Representative Stahl made a motion to adopt the Uniform Committee Rules, supported by Representative Mayes. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to adopt the Uniform Committee Rules.

Representative Casperson made a motion to adopt Tuesday, 2 p.m. or after Committees are given leave to meet, Room 307 House Office Building, as the day, time and location for Agriculture Committee meetings for the 2005-2006 legislative session.

The Chair welcomed Ron Nelson, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau. Mr. Nelson reviewed a number of sections of the Michigan Farm Bureau 2005 Policy Book with Committee members and answered questions.

Representative Proos made a motion to excuse Representative Hune, supported by Representative Mayes. No objections being offered, Representative Hune was excused.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Nitz declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 4:00 p.m.

Representative Neil Nitz, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538